



## **Ontario Fencing Association Ontario Elite Team**

**The Ontario Elite Team** is comprised of a group of athletes and coaches who are involved in competition and training at a level designed to achieve National Team status and International success.

Membership in this group will allow participants to be eligible for special training enhancement opportunities, selection to Provincial Team projects, educational opportunities, and various levels of funding. Candidates for these benefits will be selected by criteria (ranking, talent ID etc) Non-members will not be eligible for these benefits.

There are three separate classifications for the Ontario Elite Team: Senior Elite Team, Junior Elite Team, and Youth Development Team.

## Senior Elite Team

Athletes who are achieving results at a Senior Level will be designated as Senior Elite Team. Many Juniors are at this level and for this reason there will be a lot of program overlap. Juniors can compete for a Senior Elite Ranking and become eligible for Senior Elite benefits (eg. Quest funding).

### Minimum Standard

- Must be registered as Competitive member of the Ontario Fencing Association in the current season
- Must have a CFF License (Athlete)
- Must have qualified for the National Selection Circuit in this current or previous season. (2008-2009 or 2009-2010)

### Ontario Senior Elite Ranking

This Provincial ranking will be used to select qualified athletes for most programs. Only the following designated competitions will be considered for this ranking. The ranking will consist of a total of the best three results.

### Designated Competitions for Senior Elite Ranking

Brock Open	Nov. 21 2009	St. Catherine's ON
Sr. Nationals	Nov. 26-29 2009	Ottawa, ON
NAC Division 1	Dec. 4 2009	Pittsburg, PA
Ottawa Shield Open	Feb. 6, 2009	Ottawa , ON
London Heroes	Mar. 13 2009	London, ON
Ont. Sr. Provincials	Mar. 20-21	Kingston, ON

- The best three results will be used for ranking
- Quest Program will use the Dec. 30, 2010 ranking
- Final Elite Team ranking July 30, 2010

*Note: the Elite ranking will be used to select athletes for Quest funding only if the spots are not filled from the CFF Selection rankings as of Dec. 30, 2009*

### **Junior Elite Team (-20 age group)**

Athletes who are achieving results at a Junior Level will be designated as Junior Elite Team. Juniors can also compete for a Senior Elite Ranking and become eligible for Senior Elite benefits (eg. Quest funding).

#### **Minimum Standard**

- Must be registered as Competitive member of the Ontario Fencing Association in the current season
- Must have a CFF License (Athlete)
- Must have attended the National Selection Circuit in this current or previous seasons. (2008-2009 or 2009-2010)

#### **Ontario Junior Elite Ranking**

This Provincial ranking will be used to select qualified athletes for most programs. Only the following designated competitions will be considered for this ranking. The ranking will consist of a total of the best four results

#### **Designated Competitions for Junior Elite Ranking**

Carl Schwende	Oct. 24-25 2009	Montreal, QC	
Ottawa Jr.	Nov. 7-8	Ottawa	
Brock Open	Nov. 21 2009	St. Catherine's ON	
Sr. Nationals	Nov. 26-29 2009	Ottawa, ON	
CSC # 2 Junior	Nov. 26-29 2009	Ottawa, ON	
Ottawa Shield Open	Feb. 6, 2010	Ottawa , ON	
London Heroes	Mar. 13 2010	London, ON	
Ont. Sr. Provincials	Mar. 20-21 2010	Kingston, ON	

- The best four results will be used for ranking
- Quest Program will use the Dec. 30, 2010 ranking
- Final Elite Team ranking July 30, 2010

*Note: the Elite ranking will be used to select athletes for Quest funding only if the spots are not filled from the CFF Selection rankings as of Dec. 30, 2009*

### **Ontario Youth Development Team (-17 age group)**

The Ontario Youth Development Team is the next progression from the OYCAD program. Youth Development Team athletes will be involved in Ontario and Canada Games programs as well as national team directed training and competition. Athletes must be members of the Ontario Youth Development, Ontario Junior Elite or Ontario Senior Elite Team:

- to participate in Ontario Games and Canada Games training and preparation
- to become eligible for any benefits related to these programs
- to become selected for these Games.

#### **Minimum Standard**

- Must be registered as Competitive member of the Ontario Fencing Association in the current season
- Must have a CFF License (Athlete)

#### **Ontario Youth Development Team Ranking**

This Provincial ranking will be used to select qualified athletes for most programs. There will be two categories of ranking:

- Youth Development 14 (athletes born 1995 or later)
- Youth Development 16 Cadet (athletes born 1993 or later)

Only the following designated competitions will be considered for the YD 14 ranking. The ranking will consist of a total of the best five results

#### **Designated Competitions for Youth Development Y14**

Ottawa Under 15	Nov. 7-8	Ottawa	Points
CSC # 2 Cd.	Nov. 26-29	Ottawa	Points
Brock Cadet	Nov. 21 2009	St. Catherine's ON	Points
Cadet	Dec. 13	Kingston	Points
Youth 14	Feb 20	Waterloo	Points
Cadet Youth	Mar. 7	Newmarket	Points
JYC RA Centre	April 10-11	Ottawa	Points
Y14 Nationals	July 1- 4	Quebec	Points
Cadet Nationals	July 1- 4	Quebec	Points
<i>*OSG Preparation Camp</i>	<i>July 24 - 25</i>	<i>TBD</i>	<i>Mandatory for OSG athletes</i>
<i>Ontario Summer Games</i>	<i>Aug. 10 - 13</i>	<i>Sudbury</i>	<i>Selected athletes</i>

There was a Y14 CSC on the original program which has been removed (Oct. 25 2009) since no competition will be held.

- The best four results will be used for ranking

- Ontario Summer Games will use April 1, 2010 Ranking
- Final Elite Team Ranking July 30, 2010

### **Designated Competitions for Youth Development Y16 (Cadet)**

Ottawa Under 17	Nov. 7-8	Ottawa	Points
Brock Cadet	Nov. 21 2009	St. Catherine's ON	Points
CSC # 2 Cadet	Nov. 26-29	Ottawa	Points
Cadet	Dec. 13	Kingston	Points
<b>Cadet</b>	<b>Jan 23-24</b>	<b>Cancelled</b>	
Cadet-	Feb 20	Waterloo	Points
Cadet	Mar. 7	Newmarket	Points
JYC RA Centre	April 10-11	Ottawa	Points
Cd Prov. Champs	May 8 - 9	TBD	Points
Cadet Nationals	July 1- 4	Quebec	Points
<i>*OSG Preparation Camp</i>	<i>July 24 - 25</i>	<i>TBD</i>	<i>Mandatory for OSG athletes</i>
<i>Ontario Summer Games</i>	<i>Aug. 10 - 13</i>	<i>Sudbury</i>	<i>Selected athletes</i>

- The best four results will be used for ranking
- Ontario Summer Games will use April 1, 2010 Ranking
- Final Elite Team Ranking July 30, 2010

*Note: the Elite ranking will be used to select athletes for Quest funding only if the spots are not filled from the CFF Selection rankings as of Dec. 30, 2009*

### **Youth Development Ranking System 2009-2010**

The following scoring system will be used to award points from Youth Development qualifying tournaments. This system rewards success, but does not penalize a fencer because tournament numbers are small. It factors in the strength of fencers in the event and rewards achievement. The fencers are ranked according to their final placement relevant to each other, with those advancing farther in rounds receiving more points.

In this ranking only Ontario athletes are ranked.

The top fencer in each category receives 100 points.

Each successive fencer then receives 5 points less than the fencer in front of them.

There is an additional drop off of 10 points for each lower round.

Fencers should be rewarded for advancing to each subsequent round.

Example

Final results for 8 Ontario fencers

A - 3

B - 5

C - 8

D - 9

E - 12

F - 19

G - 28

H - 46

A receives 100

B 100 less 10 for lower round less 5 = 85

C same round as B therefore less 5 = 80

D 80 less 10 for lower round less 5 = 65

E 60 same round as E less 5 = 60

F 60 less 10 for lower round less 5 = 45

G 45 same round as F less 5 = 40

H 40 less 10 for round less 5 = 25

Example

3 fencers

A - 3

B - 16

C - 58

A receives 100 points

B 100 less 10 (round of 8) less 10 (round of 16) less 5 = 75

C 75 less 10 (round of 32) less 10 (round of 64) less 5 = 50

### Point Calculations for Senior and Junior Teams

**Number of points earned = points for place + size factor**

Note that points can only be earned for fencers reaching the top 65% of the field (rounded up to the smallest integer)

Eg. If there were 32 fencers in the competition, only the top 20 would get points

**Points for Place: Fixed number of points for position in the final ranking**

Rank	Points	Rank	Points	Rank	Points
1	40	13	22	25	10
2	37	14	21	26	9
3	32	15	20	27	8
3	32	16	19	28	7
5	30	17	18	29	6
6	29	18	17	30	5
7	28	19	16	31	4
8	27	20	15	32	3
9	26	21	14	33 - 48	2
10	25	22	13	49 - 64	1
11	24	23	12		
12	23	24	11		

Size Factor	
Fencers in Competition	Points
129 or more	40
65 to 128	30
33 to 64	20
17 to 32	15
9 to 16	10
1 to 8	0

### Examples

- 40 fencers in the competition therefore 26 fencers get points (40 X 65%) = 26  
 Fencer A ranks 23  
 Points for place = 12  
 Size Factor = 20  
 Total Points for A = 32

Fencer B ranks 2  
Points for place = 37  
Size Factor = 20  
Total Points for A = 57

2. 130 fencers in the competition therefore 84 fencers get points (130 X 65%) = 84  
Fencer A ranks 92  
Only 84 fencers are awarded points  
Total Points for A = 0

Fencer B ranks 16  
Points for place = 19  
Size Factor = 40  
Total Points for A = 59

### ***Tie Breaking***

- In case of a tie the athlete with the highest international point totals on the Dec. 30 2009 National High Performance Program Ranking in the appropriate category of Sr., Jr., or Cadet, will be ranked higher.
- If the point totals are the same for two or more athletes, the one with the highest single international result on the National High Performance Program Ranking in the appropriate category of Sr., Jr., or Cadet, will be ranked higher.
- If a tie still remains, the athlete with the highest result in the most recent National Championships in the same category will be ranked higher.

The ranking after the most recent event will be used to select for all programs except for Quest funding, which has its own rules. (see Quest Eligibility)

## **Application for Ontario Elite Team Programs**

### **Deadline**

Although applications can be made at any time during the season, athletes wishing to have all competitions counted must register by November 7, 2009. Subsequently, only results acquired while an athlete is registered in the Ontario Elite Team program will be used for Elite rankings.

### **Process**

- 1) Send signed registration form to  
Email to [chajune@hotmail.com](mailto:chajune@hotmail.com)  
or mail to  
Ontario High Performance Committee  
984 Main St. W.  
Hamilton, ON  
L8S 1B2

***IMPORTANT NOTE Only registered Ontario Elite Team program athletes will be considered for Quest funding and other benefits***

See appendix 1 for Registration Form

### **As an Elite Team athlete I commit to the following:**

1. Provide an appropriate Annual Training and Competition plan when requested.
2. Comply with the Ontario Elite Program by attending Provincial training camps and training events
3. Accept all Canadian Fencing Federation invitations to a National Team projects or mandatory camps, unless for reasons of illness or injury, family emergency or other reason of serious concern as approved by the Ontario High Performance Committee.
4. Follow the Athlete Code of Conduct
5. Avoid the use of banned substances and practices

### **Disqualification from Ontario Elite Team Program**

Infractions 3 and 5 mean automatic disqualification

Infractions 1, 2, and 4

### Step 1

A letter of notice will be sent by registered mail to the athlete and coach within 7 days of the infraction coming to the attention of the Ontario High Performance Committee, outlining the infraction and suggesting steps to remedy the situation.

### Step 2

If the situation has not been remedied within 30 days of notice, a meeting will be called with the High Performance Committee, the athlete, the athlete's parent(s) if athlete is under 18, the identified coach or other representative to discuss a solution to the problem. Any expense incurred to attend the meeting will be the responsibility of the athlete.

### Step 3

If no resolution has been found after steps one and two, a notice of disqualification will be issued to all parties.

### Appeal

A letter of appeal may be filed within seven (7) days of the receipt of Notice of Disqualification. The letter must be sent to the Secretary of the Ontario Fencing Association. (see website [www.fencingontario.ca](http://www.fencingontario.ca) for current Secretary.

The standard Ontario Fencing Association Appeal Policy will be followed

## Ontario Elite Team Registration

NAME	DATE OF BIRTH	
	dd/mm/yyyy	
CLUB	WEAPON	
RANKINGS		
PROVINCIAL	NATIONAL DOMESTIC	
HPP	FIE	
OFA REGISTRATION DATE	CFF #	FIE #
APPLYING FOR: CADET TEAM	JUNIOR TEAM	SENIOR TEAM
Check as many as apply		

PERSONAL INFORMATION		
STREET ADDRESS		
CITY	POSTAL CODE	
HOME PHONE	WORK PHONE	CELL
FAX	EMAIL	

COACH INFORMATION		
NAME		
STREET ADDRESS		
CITY	POSTAL CODE	
HOME PHONE	BUSINESS PHONE	CELL
FAX	EMAIL	
NCCP #	NCCP LEVEL (OR EQUIVILENT)	

By registering in the Ontario Fencing Association Elite Team Program, I agree to;

- follow a training and competition plan that is designed and approved by my identified coach and the OFA High Performance Committee to qualify me for National Team status and International success.
- I understand that failure to comply with the program expectations may lead to loss of program status and disqualification from any privileges associated with it, including Quest AAP selection.

**Duration of Agreement**

This AGREEMENT comes into force on the 7<sup>st</sup> day of November, 2009, and terminates on the 31 day of August, 2009.

**Athlete Declaration**

I hereby declare that I undertake to fulfill all commitments and responsibilities outlined in this Agreement. I understand that I may be disqualified from the Ontario Elite Team Program if the terms of this Agreement are not followed.

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*signature OFAO Representative*

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*date dd/mm/yr*

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*Participant (parent or guardian)*

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*date dd/mm/yr*

### Ontario Participant Code of Conduct

All members of the OFA are expected to: act as ambassadors for their clubs and the OFA participate in the spirit of fair play, cooperation and respect for others at all times;

- respect the rules of fencing
- perform to their best ability in every competition and accept with pride the result their effort brings;
- respect their opponents and the directions and decisions of coaches, managers and other officials;
- be gracious in victory and defeat;
- respect the rights of the residents in the host communities;
- conduct themselves in a manner that ensures a safe and harassment-free environment for all participants.